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DISSOLVED CADMIUM, COPPER, AND ZINC TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD FOR THE UPPER SACRAMENTO RIVER

Regional Board staff has completed the final technical report, *Upper Sacramento River TMDL for Cadmium, Copper and Zinc*. Regional Board staff developed a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) water management strategy for cadmium, copper, and zinc loading into the upper Sacramento River because the river periodically contains levels of dissolved cadmium, copper, and zinc that exceed water quality standards developed to protect aquatic life.

This final technical report incorporates comments received for the *Upper Sacramento River TMDL for Cadmium, Copper and Zinc Draft Report* from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, California Department of Justice, California Department of Fish and Game, City of Redding, and Sierra Pacific Industries. Regional Board staff responded to individual comments in Appendix H of the final technical report and updated text throughout the report to reflect the additional information transmitted in the comments. We appreciate the efforts and thoughts of all who submitted comments.

The final technical report is available on our website at http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb5/. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Wood at 916-255-0750 (woodm@rb5s.swrcb.ca.gov) or Patrick Morris at 916-255-3121 (morrisp@rb5s.swrcb.ca.gov).

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